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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

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JOED LEE BARRERA,

Plaintiff,

*versus*

TEXAS DEPT. OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, *ET AL.*,

Defendants.

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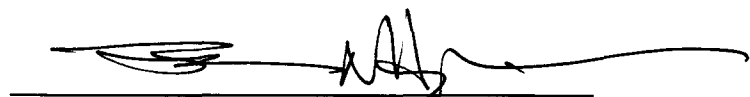
Civil Action 15-1778

### Opinion on Dismissal

Joed Barrera filed this lawsuit under the Civil Rights Act 42 U.S.C. section 1983. He sues Jack Douglas, Director of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice; Stephen Williams, Director of TDCJ-ID; Frank Hoke, Director of Offender Access to Courts; Rissie Owens, Director of Board of Pardons and Parole; Brad Livingston, Executive Director; and Shawn Blair, Director of Texas Correctional Industries. Barrera raises his claims as a taxpayer and a citizen. He requests this court (1) reopen the *Ruiz* civil-rights lawsuit on Texas prison reform, (2) restore all good-time credits awarded by the Texas legislature that were forfeited, (3) impose damages relief against each defendant, and (4) appoint a special master.

Barrera does not raise claims or seek relief based on deprivations he suffered. He raises claims concerning system-wide prison conditions and the *Ruiz* case. Barrera has not raised a valid basis for granting the relief he seeks. Barrera's request to reopen the *Ruiz* case is **DENIED**. Barrera's motion to proceed as a pauper (2) is **DENIED** as moot.

Signed on ~~June~~ July 1, 2015, at Houston, Texas.



Lynn N. Hughes  
United States District Judge